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FORMER YELLOW TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEE PLEADS GUILTY TO EMBEZZLEMENT

KANSAS CITY, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Frederick C. McBride**, 46, Overland Park, Kansas entered a guilty plea June 1, 2004, before U.S. District Judge G. Thomas Van Bebber to two counts of wire fraud.

Melgren said that McBride admitted at his plea that he would submit false information and documents purported to represent valid claims for property damage to cargo shipped by Yellow Transportation, would request that Yellow Transportation issue a check for the damage and then send those checks to an office in Overland Park maintained by McBride. McBride admitted that on or about June 5, 2001 he caused the transfer of \$3,988 to be made from the bank account of Yellow Transportation in Chicago, Illinois to an account in the name of General Transportation Services, an account maintained by McBride, and that on or about February 14, 2003 he caused the transfer of \$6,332 to be made from the bank account of Yellow Transportation in Chicago, Illinois to an account in the name of General Transportation Services, an account maintained by McBride.

McBride faces a maximum of twenty-five years in federal prison, without parole, for wire fraud. Sentencing is set for August 23, 2004.

Melgren commended the excellent work of the U.S. Secret Service in this investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney Marietta Parker in this prosecution.